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TAGS: SREF, UNRWA, XF

SUBJECT: UNRWA FUNDING

REF: BEIRUT 6111 (NOTAL)

1. UNRWA NEW YORK LIAISON OFFICE DIRECTOR VAN WIJK INFORMED US
MAY 15 THAT SYG HAD EARLIER THIS WEEK SENT KING KHALED OF
SAUDI ARABIA A LAST-MINUTE, URGENT APPEAL FOR FUNDS TO SAVE VITAL
UNRWA SERVICES.

2. ACCORDING TO VAN WIJK, WALDHEIM BEGINS LETTER BY
RECALLING HIS DISCUSSIONS ABOUT UNRWA WITH LATE KING FEISAL
AND, ON APRIL 26, WITH KING KHALED, NOTING SYMPATHETIC
HEARING HE RECEIVED. LETTER THEN DESCRIBES IN DETAIL (PRESUMABLY
ALONG LINES REFTEL) STARK ALTERNATIVES FACING UNRWA UNLESS
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MAJOR CONTRIBUTIONS ARE MADE SOON. AS BEFORE, UNESCO IS

SUGGESTED AS ONE ROUTE FOR PROVIDING FUNDS WHICH MIGHT
BE MORE ACCEPTABLE TO ARABS THAN DIRECT CONTRIBUTION TO
UNRWA.

3. VAN WIJK SAID HE EXPECTED TO MAKE AVAILABLE TO UNRWA
WORKING GROUP (WG) HERE SAME DOCUMENTATION THAT CONGEN RENNIE
IS PREPARING FOR ADCOM MEETING IN BEIRUT. HE THOUGHT WG WOULD
BE ASKED TO MEET TOWARD END OF MONTH.

4. DEPT MAY WISH REPEAT REFTEL TO EMB JIDDA.
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